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BASE TO HOST JULY FOURTH CELEBRATION AND FIREWORKS DISPLAY

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KIRTLAND AIR FORCE BASE, N.M. – The base will host its annual Fourth of July celebration and the largest fireworks display in New Mexico on the 4th of July.

The general public must use Truman gate which opens at 4 p.m. Entertainment will start around 4:30, and there will be a kids' area with lots of fun stuff to do. The fireworks display is scheduled for 9:30.

Truman gate will close to all incoming traffic promptly at 9 p.m. Everyone is encouraged to arrive early.

The event is free. Food and beverages will be available for purchase. Everyone is encouraged to bring their own chairs and blankets since seating won't be available. Personal fireworks, alcohol, pets, coolers, grills, skateboards, rollerblades and bicycles are prohibited. Everyone is encouraged to bring a bell to ring at 8 p.m. as part of the Let Freedom Ring national bell-ringing ceremony.

For more information, call KRQE-TV's (Channel 13) information line 246-8100, category 1997, or a special information line at Kirtland, 853-4636.

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